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Loans for Homeowners, Renters and Businesses of All Sizes

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Over \$55 Million SBA Disaster Loans Approved in New Jersey SBA Extends Deadline to Return Applications

ATLANTA – The U. S. Small Business Administration has approved over **\$55** million in Disaster Assistance Loans for residents and business owners in New Jersey affected by Hurricane Irene. The deadline to return applications for physical damage has been extended to **Nov. 30, 2011**.

“Currently, **1,319** home and business disaster loans have been approved in the amount of **\$55,307,600** for affected survivors,” said Frank Skaggs, director of SBA’s Field Operations Center East in Atlanta. “We are pleased to be able to get these loans approved so residents and businesses in the disaster area can continue to rebuild and resume their normal lives.” With the extended deadline, SBA encourages anyone who has not completed their disaster loan application to do so and return it as quickly as possible.

In addition to the Disaster Recovery Centers located throughout the impacted area, business owners can visit any of the Business Recovery Centers indicated below for one-on-one assistance:

<u>Bergen County</u> SBDC at Bergen County Community College 355 Main Street Hackensack, NJ 07601 Hours: Mon-Fri; 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.	<u>Monmouth County</u> Monmouth County OEM 300 Halls Mills Road Freehold, NJ 07728 Hours: Mon-Fri; 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
<u>Morris County</u> Denville Municipal Building 1 Saint Mary’s Place Denville, NJ 07834 Hours: Mon-Fri; 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.	<u>Passaic County</u> Woodland Park Municipal Building Community Room 5 Brophy Lane Woodland Park, NJ 07424 Hours: Mon-Fri; 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.
<u>Union County</u> SBDC at Kean University (Incubator) 320 Park Avenue Plainfield, NJ 07060 Hours: Mon-Fri; 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.	

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To be considered for all forms of disaster assistance, call the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) at 800-621-FEMA (3362), (TTY) 800-462-7585 for the deaf and hard-of-hearing. Additional details on the locations of Disaster Recovery Centers and the loan application process can be obtained by calling the SBA Customer Service Center at 800-659-2955 (800-877-8339 for the deaf and hard-of-hearing) or by sending an email to disastercustomerservice@sba.gov.

Those affected by the disaster may also apply for disaster loans electronically from SBA's website at <https://disasterloan.sba.gov/ela/>.

The deadline to return SBA applications for physical property damage is **November 30, 2011**. The deadline to return applications for economic injury is **May 31, 2012**.

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For more information about the SBA's Disaster Loan Programs, visit our website at www.sba.gov.